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Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attention: Recall Management Division (NVS-215, Rm. W45-206)  
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.  
Washington D.C. 20590

**Re: Defect Information Report – Supplemental Report No. 4  
11V-505, FL-615, FCCC B2 School Bus Chassis Hydraulic Brake Line  
(TBB Saf-T-Liner C2)  
Owner Re-notification**

Ms. Lewis:

In accordance with Part 573.6(c)(10) of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Daimler Trucks North America LLC herewith submits supplemental defect information and a representative copy of the document distributed to owners.

- (c)(3) Owners of 346 vehicles were re-notified May 23, 2013.
- (c)(10) Copy of Communications sent to Owners is attached.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,



Nasser Zamani

Cc: Amy Martin, CAL-OSHA  
Enclosure

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NHTSA #11V-505  
REMINDER NOTICE

## Subject: FCCC School Bus Chassis Hydraulic Brake Lines

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC, on behalf of its wholly owned subsidiary, Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation, has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific Freightliner Custom Chassis B2 school bus chassis (Thomas Built Buses Saf-T-Liner C2) manufactured March 9, 2004, through January 2, 2008, with Caterpillar C7 engines, hydraulic brakes, and fuel water separators.

On certain school buses, the fuel line connecting the fuel water separator to the engine may rub against the hydraulic lines. If the contact is allowed to continue, this could result in a brake fluid leak, in either the front or rear brakes, potentially resulting in a loss of brake performance and increasing the risk of a vehicle crash.

The brake lines on affected vehicles will be inspected and the fuel line adjusted as needed to ensure correct clearance between the fuel and brake lines. Any damaged brake lines will be replaced.

**This is a follow up to a previous communication. Our records indicate that your vehicle has not yet had this Recall performed. Please make arrangement to have this repair done as soon as possible. If it has been completed, please disregard this letter.**

Please contact an authorized Daimler Trucks North America dealer to arrange to have the recall performed and to ensure that parts are available at the dealership. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at [www.Daimler-TrucksNorthAmerica.com](http://www.Daimler-TrucksNorthAmerica.com). The Recall will take between approximately half and hour and two hours, depending on the work needed, and will be performed at no charge to you. IMPORTANT: If your vehicle requires a brake line replacement, the part will be ordered after your vehicle is inspected.

You may be liable for any progressive damage that results from your failure to complete the Recall within a reasonable time after receiving notification

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s) which appears on the Recall Notification, please return the notification to the Warranty Campaigns Department with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner. If you have leased this vehicle, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to the lessee within 10 days. If you are a subsequent stage manufacturer, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to your distributors and retail outlets within five working days.

If you have questions about this Recall, please contact the Warranty Campaigns Department at (800) 547-0712, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time Monday through Friday, e-mail address [DTNA.Warranty.Campaigns@Daimler.com](mailto:DTNA.Warranty.Campaigns@Daimler.com), or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) FTL-HELP after normal business hours. If you are not able to have the defect remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at (888) 327-4236 (TTY: 800-424-9153); or to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We regret any inconvenience this action may cause but feel certain you understand our interest in motor vehicle safety.

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT

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